

Appl. No. 10/730,609
Amendment dated 3 March 2006
Reply to Office Action dated 5 December 2005

Remarks/Arguments

In the Office action, claim 3 was objected to. Claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of claims 2 and 3, and claims 2 and 3 have been cancelled. In the Office action, claim 5 was objected to. Claim 4 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claim 5, and claim 5 has been cancelled.

In the Office action, claim 8 was objected to. Claim 6 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claims 7 and 8, and claims 7 and 8 have been cancelled. Dependent claims 9-13 now depend from allowable claim 6.

Claims 14-35 are indicated in the Office action as being allowed, and no changes have been made to those claims.

Claim 36 has been cancelled.

Applicant has made a diligent effort to place the instant application in condition for allowance. Accordingly, a notice of allowance for claims 1, 4, 6, and 9-35 is respectfully requested. If the Examiner is of the opinion that the instant application is in condition for disposition other than through allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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